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27 Mar 79Extract(s) from the Staff Meeting Minutes of 26 March 1979:

In response to [ ] comment, the Director said that he thought the paper on the alternatives [ ] was good and suggested that they discuss it this morning. He said that he would like to have a table depicting the comparative costs of the alternatives, and [ ] said that one was being prepared. The Director expressed concern that with growing pressure in the Defense Department for the U-2 alternative, a risk exists that efforts may be made to spend money for new U-2s, and Defense may oversell the U-2 option. [ ] mentioned that other crafts are available that can fly at similar altitudes. Noting the shortcomings of the U-2

[ ] The Director said consideration should be given to drafting a cover memorandum to the paper in transmitting it to the SCC. The Director expressed concern about which options should be backed at the SCC meeting to be scheduled the week of 2 April. In response to his question, Mr. Carlucci opined that attendees at the meeting would probably back a budget supplement for the alternatives but obtaining one would depend on OMB. The Director told [ ] it would be necessary to demonstrate that reprogramming would not be sufficient and a supplement would be required. Mr. Carlucci suggested it would be helpful to call the

[ ] added it would be necessary to clarify the timing of when the various alternatives could begin being helpful. (Action: CT)

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[ ] reported that the Soviet military exercise is winding down. According to [ ] two motorized rifle divisions have been left behind in Mongolia. In response to the Director's question of where these divisions came from, [ ] speculated that they were moved from within the Far Eastern area. The Director asked that this be sorted out [ ] specifying whether there are now 47 instead of 45 divisions in the Far East or whether the number of divisions remains the same but has just been deployed differently. [ ] noted that the General Petrov who was in the area of the exercise is the same individual who was in Ethiopia.

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[ ] Later in the meeting, the Director asked [ ] to include in a retrospective analysis of the exercise whether or not the Soviets have augmented or changed their military posture in the Far East and whether or not they have established a new theater of war command in the area. (Action: NFAC) [ ]

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The Director mentioned that Secretary of Commerce Kreps is going to Morocco and asked NFAC to ensure that the Agency provides her with any background information that would be helpful. (Action: NFAC) [ ]

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Noting that the State Department Iranian Working Group has suspended publication, the Director asked NFAC to be sure and keep him and the DDCI up to date on the general tenor of the Iranian situation, possibly on a weekly basis, as appropriate. (Action: NFAC) [ ]

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In response to the Director's comment about State Department's optimistic outlook on the oil situation, Bowie said that he has asked OER for an assessment. (Action: NFAC) [ ]

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OGC  
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Noting an item in Sunday's Washington Post about sections deleted from the American version of former DCI Colby's book that were printed in the French version, the Director said that this was an embarrassing situation that opens up the thorny question of whether or not the Agency treats former employees' publications differently. He asked that Lapham address the question of whether or not Mr. Colby and [ ] are in the same category as Snepp and Stockwell. [ ] noted that these cases were different. The Director asked OGC to be certain the Agency could answer questions about possible selective treatment of former employees' publications. (Action: OGC) [ ]

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DDO  
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The Director called attention to an item in the State Summary suggesting that Pakistani President Zia would like to support anti-Communist dissident groups in Afghanistan but needs support to do so. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Noting that a Mini-SCC meeting was scheduled on this topic for 30 March, Mr. Carlucci asked DDO to prepare an appropriate paper.  
(Action: DDO) [REDACTED]

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EA/DCI  
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Noting that an important meeting on SALT is scheduled for 30 March, the Director said that Bowie would attend. The major issue should be whether or not Brezhnev has responded on the telemetry issue. The Director asked [ ] to arrange in advance for a secure phone in [ ] on which he could discuss this issue with Bowie on 29 March.

(Action: EA/DCI) [ ]

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OLC  
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Returning to the subject of the alternatives  the Director said that it has been agreed not to brief on this subject in any detail until this matter is addressed by the SCC. He asked Hitz to keep him informed if Congressional pressure continued to build for such briefings. (Action: OLC)

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